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In re Application of:)	
Michael L. LONGWELL et al)	
Application No.: 09/334,238)	DECISION ON PETITION UNDER 37
Filed: June 16, 1999)	C.F.R. § 1.181 TO WITHDRAW
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR)	HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT
ERROR DETECTION AND)	
CORRECTION)	

This is a decision on the petition filed August 05, 2002 under 37 CFR § 1.181(a) to withdraw the holding of abandonment of the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

This application was held abandoned for failure to respond in a timely manner to the Office Action mailed September 27, 2001. In the apparent absence of a response to the September 27, 2001 communication, the application was held abandoned and a Notice of Abandonment was mailed June 28, 2002.


The petition indicates that a complete response was in fact timely-filed with a certificate of mailing dated January 28, 2002. Attached to the petition is a date-stamped copy of a return postcard stamped February 14, 2002 acknowledging timely receipt by the Office of an amendment and twelve (12) sheets of Drawings. Petitioner also submitted a copy of the amendment and twelve sheets of Drawings.

The original amendment and twelve sheets of Drawings, acknowledged as having been received in the USPTO on February 14, 2002 are not of record in the application file and cannot be located. However, M.P.E.P. § 503 states that "A post card receipt which itemizes and properly identifies the papers which are being filed serves as prima facie evidence of receipt in the USPTO of all the items listed thereon on the date stamped thereon by the USPTO."

For the above stated reasons, the petition is **GRANTED**. The Notice of Abandonment is hereby withdrawn.

The application file is being forwarded to the Technology Center support staff for processing of the

amendment and will then be forwarded to the Examiner for appropriate action.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Vincent N. Trans", written over a horizontal line.

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